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7 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**

8 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

9 RAYMOND J. OLSEN, JR., an individual,

CASE NO.: 2:17-cv-00547-GMN-GWF

10 Plaintiff,

11 v.

12 PREFERRED HOMECARE/LIFECARE
SOLUTIONS, an Arizona limited liability
13 company; MEDICAL DEPOT, INC., dba
DRIVE DEVILBISS HEALTHCARE, a New
14 York corporation; DOES I through X and
ROE CORPORATIONS I through X,
15 inclusive,

Defendants.

**STIPULATION AND ORDER TO
EXTEND DISCOVERY DEADLINES
[Second Request]**

17 Defendants MEDICAL DEPOT, INC. dba DRIVE DEVILBISS HEALTHCARE (“Med
18 Depot”), and PREFERRED HOMECARE/LIFECARE SOLUTIONS (“Preferred
19 Homecare”)(and collectively with Med Depot, “Defendants”) by and through counsel of record,
20 the law firm of WILEY PETERSEN; and Plaintiff RAYMOND J. OLSEN, JR (“Plaintiff”)
21 (collectively with Defendants, the “Parties”), by and through his counsel of record, the law firm
22 of MAIER GUTIERREZ & ASSOCIATES, stipulate and agree to extend the discovery deadlines
23 in this case as follows and hereby submit the same for this Court’s review and consideration:

<u>Deadline</u>	<u>Current Date</u>	<u>Proposed Extension</u>
Initial expert disclosures	1/25/2018	3/26/2018
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1 **I. PRELIMINARY STATEMENT REGARDING TIMELINESS AND GOOD
2 CAUSE**

3 This second stipulated request to extend discovery deadlines is timely as it is made
4 more than twenty-one days before any of the deadlines to be moved. *See LR 26-4.* This second
5 stipulated request is also supported by good cause based on: (1) the complexity of the liability
6 and damages issues involved, which have required significant time to review and prepare for
7 depositions of the numerous experts, treating physicians, and lay witnesses; (2) the large
8 volume of medical records from approximately thirty-nine (39) medical providers (at current
9 count) which has required extensive time and analysis by both the Parties and their experts; (3)
10 the intervening holiday season which has impacted the ability of the Parties to schedule
11 appropriate depositions and the ability of expert witnesses to properly evaluate and offer
12 opinions regarding the over 3,200 pages of medical records in this matter; and (4) a multi-
13 million-dollar statement of damages by Plaintiff. The Parties have been working cooperatively
14 and diligently to obtain and produce records, respond to written discovery, coordinate
15 depositions, and otherwise complete discovery consistent with the existing scheduling order, a
16 short 60-day continuation of the current deadlines is necessary considering the extensive
17 discovery that is required notwithstanding the Parties' diligence. *See FRCP 16(b); Johnson v.*
18 *Mammoth Recreations, Inc.*, 975 F.2d 604, 609 (9th Cir.1992).

19 **II. DISCOVERY COMPLETED TO DATE**

20 Since the initial Scheduling Order (*see* Dkt. 13), the parties have completed the
21 following discovery:

22 • *FRCP 26 Disclosures and Supplements*

- 23 ○ Plaintiff has served Initial and 1st and 2nd Supplemental Disclosures of
24 Witnesses and Documents identifying twenty-four witnesses and

1 approximately 1,200 pages of documents;

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- Preferred Homecare has served Initial Disclosures identifying approximately 60 additional pages of documents; and
 - Med Depot has served an Initial Disclosure, 1st Supplemental Disclosure, and 2nd Supplemental Disclosure of documents and witnesses identifying multiple witnesses and approximately 3,000 pages of documents. Despite Medical Depot's diligence in obtaining Plaintiff's medical records from approximately 34 of the 39 identified medical providers, there remains medical records from approximately 5 medical providers to obtain.

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- Plaintiff has served the following sets of written discovery, all of which have been responded to by the appropriate defendant:
 - 1st Interrogatories to Med Depot;
 - 1st Requests for Production of Documents to Med Depot;
 - 2nd Interrogatories to Med Depot;
 - 1st Interrogatories to Preferred Homecare;
 - 1st Requests for Production of Documents to Preferred Homecare; and
 - 2nd Interrogatories to Preferred Homecare.
 - Med Depot has served, and Plaintiff has responded to, the following sets of written discovery:
 - 1st Interrogatories;
 - 1st Requests for Production of Documents; and

■ 1st Requests for Admission.

- The parties have coordinated and conducted inspections of both the subject scooter and the school premises where Plaintiff's incident occurred.
 - The Law Offices of Wiley Petersen has substituted in as counsel for Preferred Homecare.
 - Depositions - The following depositions are currently set:
 - Plaintiff, Raymond J. Olsen (December 19, 2017);
 - FRCP 30(b)(6) witness for Medical Depot (January 8, 2018) on 9 separate topics;
 - FRCP 30 (b)(6) witness for Preferred Homecare (January 5, 2018) on 10 separate topics;
 - Plaintiff's daughter (date TBD); and
 - approximately five (5) other, lay witnesses (dates TBD).

III. DISCOVERY THAT REMAINS TO BE COMPLETED

The following discovery remains:

- Document Production: As noted above, while many pages have been recently received and produced already, records from a few treating physicians must still be obtained, evaluated, and properly disclosed. Defendants are in the process of obtaining and reviewing medical records from approximately 34 of the 39 different medical providers. Defendants are still waiting on medical records from 5 remaining medical providers.
 - Depositions:
 - The depositions of Plaintiff and the witnesses mentioned above must be completed;

- Medical Depot anticipates, the need to take the depositions of approximately six (6) to ten (10) depositions of Plaintiff's various treating physicians, and is in the process of obtaining availability of these treating physicians, including, but not necessarily limited to:
 - Dr. Roman Sibel;
 - Dr. Roddy McGee;
 - Dr. Thomman Kuruvilla;
 - Dr. Michael Schlaack;
 - Dr. Troy Watson;
 - Dr. Balduini (first name unknown at this point);
 - Jeromy Mendenhall, PA-C; and
 - potentially PMK's of various other providers.
 - Based on the complexity of Plaintiff's medical history and the severity of the injuries claimed to be related to this incident, the Parties each anticipate retaining several expert witnesses and, thereafter, making appropriate disclosures of related reports;
 - Defendants will also need to take the depositions of any experts identified by Plaintiff; and
 - Plaintiff will take the depositions of any experts retained by Defendants.

IV. REASON WHY DISCOVERY CANNOT BE COMPLETED

The Parties submit their efforts to date have been sufficiently diligent and that the reason for not being able to complete discovery within the current schedule is simple: there remains a significant amount of information to organize and process, especially given the unusually large number of treating physicians and related records, many of which still need to

1 be reviewed.¹ Medical Depot has obtained over 3,200 pages of medical records from
2 approximately 34 of the 39 medical providers. There are five remaining medical providers
3 who have not yet provided the requested records. The Parties have been diligent in obtaining
4 these records and reviewing the records, however, this is a time-consuming task and requires
5 experts to perform the same. As this Court is aware, a complete set of medical records was
6 not available prior to the filing of the Complaint in this matter as Plaintiff's counsel was
7 retained just prior to the Complaint being filed. As such, the Parties have been working
8 together to obtain all the necessary medical records. To date, the Parties have diligently
9 worked together to move discovery forward, and will continue to do so, however, the amount
10 of medical records alone is a large undertaking. Despite this significant undertaking the Parties
11 have been able to obtain and review the majority of the necessary records. However, given the
12 upcoming holidays and the availability of deponents and expert witnesses additional time is
13 requested by the Parties.

15 **V. PROPOSED REVISED DISCOVERY SCHEDULE**

17 The Parties propose the following revised discovery schedule, which will provide for
18 an extension of each deadline by sixty (60) days, except for the deadline to Amend/Add Parties
19 which has already passed, as follows:

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27 ¹ Plaintiff and Medical Depot cooperated to provide the various providers with HIPAA authorizations, but some
28 providers have not yet fully responded. Moreover, as the Parties continue to analyze the records already obtained,
additional providers have been identified, necessitating yet further efforts at obtaining medical records.

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ORDER

2 The Scheduling Order and related discovery deadlines are hereby modified and extended
3 as follows:

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11 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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14 United States Magistrate Judge

15 Dated: 12/18/2017